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In re Application of David Ernest Hartley et al.

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AORTIC DISSECTION

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Examiner  
Ryan J. Severson

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the last decision of the examiner.

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